interoffice MEMORANDUM

To:

Gene Pabst, Pretreatment Inspector

From:

J. Randall Lyman

Subject:

St. John's Regional Health Center-Debris in Sanitary Sewer

Date:

August 27, 1997

CC:

Wayne Latimer

File, by address

Wayne Latimer, Sewer Maintenance Supervisor, left me a voice message indicating that one of the I/I smoke crews was working on Cherokee St. in front of St. John's (Q-20, NW, Mh's 11-12-13) and found a very large clump of "rags, gauze, bandages?" that was blocking the line. The crew leader indicated that he was almost certain that the debris had come from the Hammons Heart building connection. They had to pry away this clump in order to smoke test the line. After prying it away it went down the line and caused the sewer to begin backing up. The night crew was called to respond to the stoppage, but indicated that when they checked it last evening, the sewer was no longer backing up. Please call or write your contact person (Dave Gollhofer?) at St. John's and inform them of this incident and of the potential of a more serious problem developing should this disposal practice continue. Does the Fremont Medical Building also connect to this sewer?